

## AMILKAR'S SPEECH

BUENAS NOCHES==GOOD EVENING

I AM AMILKAR== THE JIBARITO FROM ADJUNTAS WHO COMES TO YOU TONIGHT TO SAY GRACIAS FOR YOUR LOVE AND SUPPORT.

WE ARE SORRY THAT TOO MANY OF OUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES COULD NOT MAKE HERE, PHYSICALLY—BUT ARE HERE SPIRITUALLY.

BUT WHO AM I ??

POPEYE SAID - " I YAM. I YAM"

OTHERS HAVE SAID IT MORE PROFOUNDLY, PHILOSOPHERS, POLITICIANS, WRITERS POETS ETC.

BUT I AM YOU== YET I AM NOT LIKE ANY OF YOU—EXCEPT FOR PERHAPS MY SON =MIKO==WHO LOOKS A LOT LIKE ME==OR LIKE MY GRANDSONS WHO LOOK LIKE ME AND SOMETIMES ACT LIKE ME.

LIKE MY SON ==I AM A MENTOR, A GOOD FATHER. LIKE HIM I AM A HARD WORKER==SINCERE==HONEST== RESPECTFULL  
==SOMEWHAT ADVENTOROUS

OR MAYBE I AM LIKE MY DAUGHTER KATILIA, WHO LIKES TO PLAY DOMINOS, BILLIARDS, A BIT OF A BOHEMIAN. LIKE HER I AM A WRITER= A POET== HARD WORKER == ENJOY OBTAINING A GOOD EDUCATION.

OR MAYBE I AM LIKE MY DAUGHTER MYNET= WHO IS A TEACHER AND A MENTOR - TWO ROLES I CHERISH IN LIFE . SHE IS ALSO A SUPERB MOTHER .

BUT MOST PROUDLY AS TO MYNET I CAN TELL YOU THAT 6 YEARS AGO SHE DESIGNED AND CREATED AT 13<sup>TH</sup> AVE SCHOOL = A PROGRAM SHE NAMED>>>> THE LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY ACADEMY WITH THE ESSEX COUNTY VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL

SCHOOLS === AS FORMER FEDERAL AGENT SHE WAS  
INSTRUMENTAL IS DEVELOPING IT TO A CAPACITY THAT  
YESTERDAY SHE RECEIVED THE WONDERFUL NEWS THAT HER  
STUDENTS WILL NOW GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL WITH OVER  
20 <<< COLLEGE CREDITS >>> IN Criminal & Geographic  
Information Systems Technology ===

that ladies and gentlemen deserves a big round of applause===

I ENJOY MENTORING YOUNG PEOPLE and sometimes not so  
young people == AND MANY ARE NOW COPS, TEACHERS,  
DOCTORS, LAWYERS, OR even if school drop outs==they make an  
honest living SELLING HOT DOGS AT THE CORNER,

YET THEY ALL ASK FOR THE== 'BENDICION'==THE BLESSINGS A  
TRADITIONAL CUSTOM IN PR WHERE PARENTS OR ADULTS BLESS  
THEIR CHILDREN AND ASK GOD TO PROTECT THEM

LIKE YOU I ENJOY THE FIELD OF LAW== BUT MOST  
IMPORTANTLY== I ENJOY == JUSTICE.

JUSTICE FOR THE OPPRESSED AND BELIEVE YOU ME===THERE  
ARE MILLIONS OF OPPRESSED PEOPLE RIGHT HERE IN OUR  
WONDERFUL COUNTRY.. THE EXPLOITED WORKERS WITHOUT  
DOCUMENTS, CHILDREN == POOR PEOPLE. EVEN MODERN DAY  
INDENTURED PERSONS BROUGHT IN FROM OTHER COUNTRIES.....

I BELIEVE IN JUSTICE FOR THE UNEMPLOYED, THE SICK, THE  
ELDERLY, THE RETURNING VETERANS, AND NOW SOME FOOLS  
WANT TO TAKE AWAY THE BENEFITS GAINED IN THE LAST  
==80==YEARS.

JUSTICE MUST BE ACCOMPANIED WITH COMPASSION =  
HUMANITY== RESPECT==UNDERSTANDING===AND THERE CAN  
NEVER—EVER—BE JUSTICE WITH ABUSE, DISRESPECT ==OR ==  
DISDAIN FOR THE LESS FORTUNATE PERSONS .

THIS NONSENSE OF TAKING AWAY OF RIGHTS MUST  
==S T O P==AND MUST STOP NOW !!!!!

LIKE YOU== I CRY WHEN I HAVE TO.

I CRIED WHEN 9-11 HAPPENNED==SOMETIMES WHEN I WATCH  
A PARTICULAR MOVIE==OR SEE THE CHILDREN IN AFRICA =  
OR==THE AMERICAS == DIE FROM HUNGER AND STUPID DISEASES  
THAT CAN BE STOPPED== FOR WOMEN WHO ARE SEXUALLY  
EXPLOITED =OR FOR A MAN==FOR A MAN WHO IS BEATEN TO  
DEATH == MERELY BECAUSE HE IS LATINO- OR BLACK==OR  
JEWISH===OR A MUSLIM== OR BECAUSE HE WAS GAY== OR IS  
FROM ACROSS TOWN= OR FROM A DIFFERENT TOWN== OR  
COUNTRY .....

I HAVE EVEN CRIED AT COMMERCIALS=== OF CHILDREN DYING  
FROM CANCER==THAT IS WHY NORMA AND I CHOSE THE *SAINT  
JUDE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FOUNDATION TO RECEIVE HELP*  
TONIGHT. YOU WILL FIND BOOKMARKERS IN YOUR TABLES TO  
GIVE YOU INFORMATION.

I EVEN CRIED FOR XIOMARA==THE LITTLE GIRL in New Jersey==  
WITH Tourette syndrome (TS) ==THAT IS WHY WE have FLYERS  
AT THE FRONT AS TO HOW YOU CAN HELP HER OBTAIN ANOTHER  
= VERY SPECIAL == VAN TO REPLACE THE ONE STOLEN TWO  
MONTHS AGO IN CLIFTON , NJ==THEY NEED @ \$25, 000 TO  
REPLACE SAME==  
SHE HAS a condition that causes people to make repeated, quick  
movements or sounds that they cannot control. = SHE NEEDS HELP  
NOW.

LIKE YOU== I ENJOY LAUGHING-- I ENJOY THAT A LOT.

I LAUGH AT JOKES THRU THE INTERNET, OR TOLD TO ME== I  
EVEN LAUGH AT TH STUPIDITIES OF SOME POLITICIANS== OR  
SOME CELEBRETIES-- AT MY KIDS AND GRANDKIDS " JOKES".

BUT I DO NOT LIKE THOSE COMEDIANS WHO BELIEVE THAT TO BE  
FUNNY YOU MUST CURSE=== AND CURSE OFTEN. AT THOSE ==I  
DO NOT LAUGH..

I enjoy MUSIC--- MUSIC !!!—I LOVE MUSIC==LIKE MANY OF YOU.  
I ENJOY ELVIS PRESLEY—JUST ASK JUDGE NUNES. I LOVE  
BOLEROS—ESPECIALLY THOSE I DANCE WITH NORMA=== AND  
ALSO MERENGUES AND MAMBOS==LIKE MYNET  
OR SALSA==LIKE KATILIA== OR JIBARO MUSIC==LIKE  
MIKO===OR COMPOSING A SONG - OR A POEM==LIKE WANDA.

I ENJOY CLASSICAL MUSIC—JUST ASK MY STAFF AT C J P COURT.

YET I AM==NOT == LIKE CERTAIN PERSONS WHO JUST BECAUSE  
THEY ARE PART OF THE 400 MOST POWERFUL PEOPLE IN THS  
COUNTRY == AND WHO IN FACT >>> DO CONTROL <<<  
THIS COUNRTY RIGHT NOW=== FROM THE US SUPREME  
COURT==TO SENATORS=== to CONGRESSPERSONS===  
to GOVERNORS== AND BECAUSE THEY ARE MULTI  
MILLIONAIRES AND BILLIONAIRES AND WHO BELIEVE THAT IN  
ORDER FOR THEM TO GET RICHER==THAT THEY MUST TAKE  
AWAY YOUR RIGHTS AND MY RIGHTS. I am definitely NOT like  
them !!!!

I PREFER TO BUILD ORGANIZATIONS==NOT TO DESTROY THE FEW  
THAT WE HAVE== I prefer TO HELP THE LESS FORTUNATE ONES.

I HATE== I HATE THOSE POLITICIANS THAT WILL TAKE AWAY  
MY—AND YOUR-- MEDICARE=== SOCIAL SECURITY==  
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS= MEDICAID BENEFITS===  
PRESCRIPTION BENEFITS==ETC.

AND WORSE YET==ARE THOSE POLITICIANS THAT DO NOT  
OPPOSE THEM ==AND EVEN JOIN THEM IN MANY VOTES IN  
TRENTON==OR WASHINGTON !!!

I HATE GOVERNOR LUIS FORTUNO IN PR== FOR TRYING TO RAM  
A PIPELINE THROUGH ADJUNTAS==THROUGH ECOLOGICALLY  
FRAGILE AREAS THAT WILL KILL OFF SPECIES UNDER THREAT OF  
EXTINCTION.

= I LOVE==I LOVE PLAYING DOMINOS AND CHESS , READING,  
AND ALSO FISHING WITH MY GRANDKIDS.

I LOVE ACTING ==I ENJOY INTRODUCING THE = JIBARO PLAY ==  
EL JOLGORIO EN CASA DE DONA LENCHA Y DON PACO== A PLAY  
ABOUT PR LIFE IN THE MOUNTAINS IN THE 1940S. THE WRITER  
OF THE PLAY==ILUMINADA VALENTIN DE PENA IS HERE TONIGHT.

I LOVE BOXING AND I WANT TO THANK ROBINSON VELEZ, AN  
UNSUNG-- UNRECOGNIZED HERO IN OUR COMMUNITY===WHO  
THROUGH SHEER PERSEVERANCE HELPS YOUNG KIDS STAY OUT  
OF TROUBLE AND BECOME BOXING CHAMPS.

MY WIFE NORMA AND I SUPPORT THIS EFFORT AND NOW WE  
HAVE OVER 25 CHAMPS === THROUGH THR ROBINSONS  
WARRIORS CLUB==TWO OF OUR CAHMPIONS ARE HERE  
TONIGHT=== JEREMY SALDANA==A 13 YEAR OLD WHO HAS WON  
OVER 12 CHAMPIONSHIPS AND IS JUST BECAME THE US NATIONAL  
JUNIOR GOLDEN GLOVE CHAMP IN LAS LAS VEGAS LAST MONTH.

ALSO HERE TONIGHT IS EMMANUEL RODRIGUEZ 'SALSERITO'  
WHO HAS MANY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

KEEP THOSE NAMES IN MIND—THEY WILL BECOME WORLD  
CHAMPS-- I PROMISE YOU

LIKE MANY OF YOU I PARTICIPATED IN RELIGIOUS  
RETREATS==FROM RETIROS TO DINAMICAS.

GRACIAS==

GRACIAS TO MY STAFF FROM MY OFFICE WHEN I WAS IN  
PRIVATE PRACTICE—ROSAEL, MARIA, SHEILA. AND MANY  
OTHERS.

TO THE NEWARK MUNICIPAL COURT STAFF=ESPECIALLY MARIA  
AND AUDREY , DENISE , RUTH, MONICA, SYLVIA, ALETHEA, AND  
MANY OTHERS  
TO MY SECRETARY MARISOL

TO MY CJP STAFF =AND VERY SPECIALLY TO MISS CYNTHIA, ALSO  
TO PRISCILLA, RON, MARLENE, LINDEN, ELYSE, CRISS AND OVER 12  
MORE..

TO SO MANY JUDGES AND FRIENDS FROM THE FEDERAL, STATE  
AND MUNICIPAL COURTS...

TO JOSE ACEVEDO FOR YOUR SINCERE AND WONDERFUL HELP IN  
PUTTING THIS EVENT TOGETHER ...

TO MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS—GRACIAS.

TO THOSE I LEFT OUT==PLEASE FORGIVE ME AND KNOW THAT I  
LOVE YOU VERY MUCH.

AS I RETIRE FROM MY JUDICIAL POSITION I WILL BE INVOLVED IN  
ADDRESSING MANY ISSUES.

WE ARE ONE NATION== E PLERUBUS UNUM=== OUT OF  
MANY==ONE===YET MANY HAVE FORGOTTEN THAT MINOR  
DETAIL.

TOGETHER WE HAVE CREATED ONE OF THE GREATEST NATIONS  
THE WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN.

TODAY WE MUST FIGHT TO PRESERVE THAT WHICH WE HAVE  
GAINED==OR WITHIN TEN YEARS WE WILL BE WORSE THAT  
MANY THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES—AND MAY EVEN APPROACH  
THE 1940S IN GERMANY AND ITALY.

LET US STOP THE ABUSE OF POWER== LETS BECOME CREATIVE IN  
RESOLVING OUR ISSUES===LETS RE-DISCOVER COMPASSION,  
PRODUCTIVITY===  
LET US CREATE A BETTER AMERICA==FOR YOU==FOR MY  
GRANDCHILDREN AND YOURS==FOR YOU FAMILIES AND FRIENDS.

**WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER==AND WILL SINK==OR  
SURVIVE==TOGETHER....**

**THE OLD AGAGE OF UNITED WE STAND—AND DIVIDED WE  
FALL==HAS NEVER BEEN SO TRUE= AS IT IS N O W !!!**

**QUE DIOS ME LOS BENDIGA RICAMENTE A CADA UNO DE  
USTEDES—**

**MAY GOD BLESS EACH ONE OF YOU RICHLY .**

**NEVER FORGET== EL QUE PERSEVERA TRIUNFA==**